

**WAUKESHA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
January 17, 2011
Minutes**

Present:

Mary Madden (NAMI), Michael DeMares (WCDHHS), Joan Sternweis (MCH –DT) Linda Cole (Friendships), Marybeth Vander Male (HIL), Diane Begos (MHC – CCS), Corrine Gresen (WMH), and Colleen Gonzalez (WCTC)

Excused:

Chair Troy Norman (Goodwill), Lisa McLean (MHA) James Hanover (Div. of Voc. Rehab.), Dennis Farrell (WCHHS) Board, and Terry Findley (Consumer Advisor)

The meeting was called to order by Mary Madden.

Educational Segment –Peer Support – *A New Way of Providing Mental Health Services in Waukesha*, Corrine Gresen, ProHealth Care

Corrine Gresen presented an overview of ProHealth Care's mission and scope of service. For further information, call ProHealth Care Behavioral Medicine Center Assessment and Referral Office at 262-928-4036 or 800-326-2011 ext. 84036.

Review and Approval of November 2010 Minutes

Mike DeMares made a motion seconded by Corrine Gresen to approve the minutes of November 15, 2010. All voted and the motion carried.

Board Liaison Report

No report.

Sub-Committee Reports

1. Legislative – Dennis Farrell

No report.

2. CCS Coordinator Committee – Mike DeMares/Diane Begos

Diane Begos reported CCS Coordinator Committee is reviewing their mission statement and that of the two subcommittees (membership and orientation and education). This is the third year memberships are being renewed. Agency seat was open and nurse, Julie Bjorklund, was nominated to take that spot. They plan to open things up for everyone particularly consumers to serve on the board. Committee makeup was reviewed which is based on regulations. Currently there are 19 members, one third of committee consists of consumers, and there is room for one more agency seat. Peer Specialist recognition event is scheduled for February meeting.

3. COP Report – Joan Sternweis

Joan Sternweis reported exceptional expense funding in the children's area and is waiting to hear from the state. With the 2010-year closing they are looking at the continuing clients for 2011. The report update due to the State at the end of February will be reviewed at the next meeting.

4. 2012 Unmet Needs – Mike DeMares

2012 Unmet Needs will be presented at the March County Board meeting. Funds were received in 2011 to continue psycho pharmaceutical program, 211, cost of living for residential providers, peer support and clubhouse. There was no additional respite money for children. For 2012 will want to keep up costs for most areas, but will need to discuss clubhouse further when Linda is present. In 2012 we will certainly want to support peer support and peer support line (which is a \$20K item) and possibly Supported Employment. A new Peer Support Worker is starting in CSP soon (if not already). This committee will continue to discuss unmet needs list at next two meetings.

Next meeting will be Peer Specialist Recognition event from 1:30-2:30. Committee will need to have a short meeting (2:30-3:00) of the core group. Joan will set up another room for meeting.

What is NAMI's role in peer support? Mary would like to expand it, but will need to figure out how to fund it. Bernie Juno just informed Mary today for 2011-2012 only \$123K available in grant funding for 11 organizations, Bernie is looking at who will step off the project funding. What is challenging for Mary is the many calls coming in from people who just want to connect with peer specialist in a supportive way; they don't necessarily need resource coordination for housing support and advocacy. 14 people are on track to graduate from Consumer and Provider (CAP) program. The course does try to offer internships after completed. There will be a new group of peer specialists (10) here in Waukesha County who will have their certificates from the training.

Old Business

Peer Support event at the next meeting time. Please forward invite list to Linda Cole and Mary Madden for distribution this week. County will supply refreshments (coffee, juice, cookies).

New Business

None

Other

None

A motion was made by Mary Madden and seconded by Mike DeMares to adjourn the meeting. All voted and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Cooper, Recorder

Minutes were approved *Gayle A. Johnson* Date *2/21/2011*